

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
UTILITY DIVISION
AGENDA NO. 97-10-6**

Date Prepared: October 2, 1997

For Work Week Commencing: October 6, 1997

Business Meeting Date & Time: October 6, 1997, 10:00 a.m.

General Introduction This agenda is the Commission's Utility Division agenda for the work week designated. In the later part of each week (generally, Thursday by 2:00 p.m.) prior to the work week to which an agenda pertains, the agenda is posted on the public information bulletin board at the Commission offices, deposited in the mail directed to all persons who have properly requested notice by mail, placed on the state electronic bulletin board, and posted to the PSC's world wide web site at <http://www.psc.mt.gov>.

Place of Meetings All meetings are held at the Commission offices, 1701 Prospect Avenue, Helena, Montana, unless otherwise noted.

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Work Sessions All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated (Dan).

1. USWC Docket D96.12.220 - Discuss and act on US West's Motion to Reinstate Procedural Schedule (10/7/97)
2. Linda Vista Water Docket D97.4.62 - Fact Sheet (10/7/97)
3. Proposed Slamming Rules Docket L-97.6.3-RUL - Review comments received on proposed rules and whether to adopt staff recommendations (10/7/97)
4. Complaints of CELP, YELP and DNRC v. MPC Dockets D97.7.127, D97.7.129 and D97.8.143 - Briefs have been filed on Commission jurisdiction over these complaints. This issue will be for discussion and direction (10/7/97)
5. MPC Docket D96.2.22 - Post-hearing work session (10/10/97)
6. Weekly **AND** Monthly Scheduling Meetings - Will be held at 9:45 a.m. on the day of the Business Meeting

Action Items All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. US WEST COMMUNICATIONS - Docket N97.9.161 (Bonnie)

On September 2, 1997, US WEST Communications filed Tariff Transmittal 97-30, introducing Uniform Access Solution, a switched DS-1 arrangement offered as an alternative to PBX trunks or DSS, providing a digital connection to the public switched network.

2. MCI TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Docket N97.9.171 (Bonnie)

On September 17, 1997, MCI Telecommunications Corporation filed Tariff Transmittal 97-21, proposing changes in the Dial One/Direct Dial usage rates and time of day schedule; changes to the credit card usage rates; deleting Prism III options; and other text changes.

Notice Items All items identified below are noticed for public participation purposes. Unless otherwise stated in the text of the notice, the items will be action items on the next following agenda or a subsequent agenda and participation may be had by submitting written comments to the Public Service Commission, 1701 Prospect Avenue, PO Box 202601, Helena, Montana, 59620-2601, within 5 calendar days following publication of this agenda.

1. PROJECT TELEPHONE COMPANY - Docket N97.9.173 (Nina)

On September 25, 1997, Project Telephone Company filed a proposed text change signifying Two-Way, per trunk charges for PBX Service for the local exchanges of Project Telephone.

2. VALLEY TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC. - Docket N97.9.176 (Nina)

On September 25, 1997, Valley Telecommunications Inc., filed a proposed text change signifying Two-Way, per trunk charges for PBX Service for the local exchanges of VTI.

3. VALLEY TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Docket N97.9.179 (Kate)

On September 25, 1997, Valley Telecommunications filed to revise its tariff regarding customer deposits to allow the provision of local service only with no deposit required.

4. PROJECT TELEPHONE COMPANY - Docket N97.9.174 (Kate)

On September 25, 1997, Project Telephone filed to revise its tariff regarding customer deposits to allow the provision of local service only with no deposit required.

5. VALLEY TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. - Docket N97.9.177 (Vicki)

On September 25, 1997, Valley Telecommunications, Inc. filed tariff pages to add definitions for Special Number Services including: Non-Published, Non-Listed, Additional Listing and Foreign Exchange Listing. Rates were also added for Foreign Exchange Listing.

6. PROJECT TELEPHONE COMPANY - Docket N97.9.180 (Vicki)

On September 25, 1997, Project Telephone Co. filed tariff pages to add definitions for Special Number Services including: Non-Published, Non-Listed, Additional Listing and Foreign Exchange Listing. Rates were also added for Foreign Exchange Listing.

7. PROJECT TELEPHONE COMPANY - Docket N97.9.175 (Bonnie)

September 25, 1997, Project Telephone Company filed tariff revisions introducing Directory Assistance Service definition and condition of service changes for the local exchanges of Project Telephone Company.

8. VALLEY TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. - Docket N97.9.178 (Bonnie)

September 25, 1997, Valley Telecommunications, Inc. filed tariff revisions introducing the Directory Assistance Service definition and condition of service changes for the local exchanges of Valley Telecommunications, Inc.

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

USWC Docket D96.12.220 - A Notice of Staff Action reinstating Procedural Schedule was served October 2, 1997.

Tentative Action Items for Agenda 97-10-14

Docket N97.9.173 PROJECT TELEPHONE COMPANY (Nina)
Docket N97.9.175 PROJECT TELEPHONE COMPANY (Bonnie)
Docket N97.9.176 VALLEY TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. (Nina)
Docket N97.9.177 VALLEY TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. (Vicki)
Docket N97.9.178 VALLEY TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. (Bonnie)
Docket N97.9.180 PROJECT TELEPHONE COMPANY (Vicki)

New Filings Received in Past Week

N97.9.173 Project Telephone - Text revisions for Two-Way Truck charges
N97.9.174 Project Telephone - Revisions to Service without a Deposit
N97.9.175 Project Telephone - Revisions to Directory Assistance Service
N97.9.176 Valley Telecommunications - Text revisions for Two-Way Truck charges
N97.9.177 Valley Telecommunications - Revisions to Foreign Exchange Listings
N97.9.178 Valley Telecommunications - Revisions to Directory Assistance Service
N97.9.179 Valley Telecommunications - Revisions to Service without a Deposit
N97.9.180 Project Telephone - Revisions to Foreign Exchange
D97.9.181 BHP&LC - Quarterly Fuel Rate Rider